



*Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement*

STEPHEN M. HAASE, AICP, DIRECTOR

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION  
CITY OF SAN JOSÉ, CALIFORNIA**

***Project File Number, Description, and Location***

PDC04-033, Planned Development rezoning and construction of up to five (5) single-family detached residences on a 0.45-acre site located at the terminus of South 34<sup>th</sup> Street (Innovative Housing Solutions, LLC, Owner/Developer).

Council District:   5  

California State Law requires the City of San José to conduct environmental review for all pending projects that require a public hearing. Environmental review examines the nature and extent of any potentially significant adverse effects on the environment that could occur if a project is approved and implemented. The Director of Planning, Building & Code Enforcement would require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report if the review concluded that the proposed project could have a significant unavoidable effect on the environment. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires this notice to disclose whether any listed toxic sites are present. The project location **does not** contain a listed toxic site.

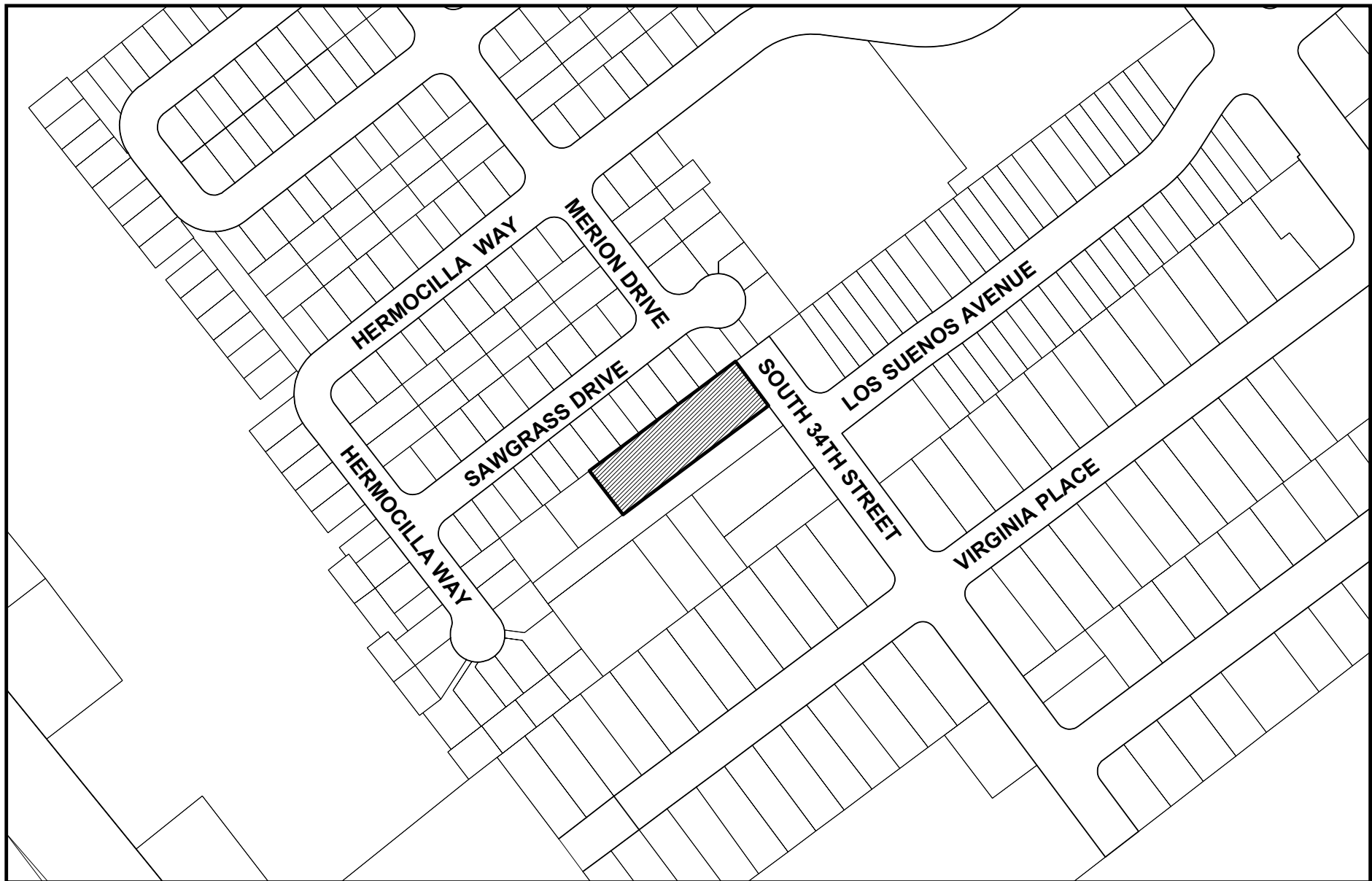
Based on an initial study, the Director has concluded that the project described above will not have a significant effect on the environment. We have sent this notice to all owners and occupants of property within 500 feet of the proposed project to inform them of the Director's intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project on **October 13, 2004**, and to provide an opportunity for public comments on the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration. The public review period for this draft Mitigated Negative Declaration begins on **Friday, September 24, 2004** and ends on **Wednesday, October 13, 2004**.

A public hearing on the project described above is tentatively scheduled for October 13, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. in the City of San Jose Council Chambers, 801 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95110. The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration, initial study, and reference documents are available for review under the above file number from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday at the City of San Jose Department of Planning, Building & Code Enforcement, City Hall, 801 N. First Street, Room 400, San Jose, CA 95110. The documents are also available at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Main Library, 150 E. San Fernando St, San José, CA 95112, and the East San Jose Carnegie Library 1102 E. Santa Clara Street San Jose, CA 95156, and online at <http://www.ci.san-jose.ca.us/planning/sjplan/eir/mnd2004.htm>. Adoption of a Negative Declaration does not constitute approval of the proposed project. The decision to approve or deny the project described above will be made separately as required by City Ordinance. For additional information, please call **Deanna Chow** at (408) 277-4576.

Stephen M. Haase, AICP  
Director, Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

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MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

The Director of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement has reviewed the proposed project described below to determine whether it could have a significant effect on the environment as a result of project completion. "Significant effect on the environment" means a substantial, or potentially substantial, adverse change in any of the physical conditions within the area affected by the project including land, air, water, minerals, flora, fauna, ambient noise, and objects of historic or aesthetic significance.

**NAME OF PROJECT:** PDC04-033

**PROJECT FILE NUMBER:** PDC04-033

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Planned Development rezoning and construction of up to 5 single-family detached residences on a 0.45-acre site.

**PROJECT LOCATION & ASSESSORS PARCEL NO.:** Northwesterly terminus of South 34<sup>th</sup> Street; 481-45-005

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 5

**NAME OF APPLICANT:**  
Innovative Housing Solutions

**MAILING ADDRESS AND PHONE NO. OF APPLICANT CONTACT PERSON:**  
P.O. Box 320156  
Los Gatos, CA 95032

**FINDING**

The Director of Planning, Building & Code Enforcement finds the project described above will not have a significant effect on the environment in that the attached initial study identifies one or more potentially significant effects on the environment for which the project applicant, before public release of this draft Mitigated Negative Declaration, has made or agrees to make project revisions that clearly mitigate the effects to a less than significant level.

**MITIGATION MEASURES INCLUDED IN THE PROJECT TO REDUCE POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS TO A LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT LEVEL**

Air Quality

1. Water all active construction areas at least twice daily or as often as needed to control dust emissions.
2. Cover all trucks hauling soil, sand, and other loose materials and/or ensure that all trucks hauling such materials maintain at least two feet of freeboard.
3. Pave, apply water three times daily, or apply (non-toxic) soil stabilizers on all unpaved access roads, parking areas and staging areas at construction sites.
4. Sweep daily or as often as needed with water sweepers all paved access roads, parking areas and staging areas at construction sites to control dust.

5. Sweep public streets daily, or as often as needed, with water sweepers, to keep streets free of visible soil material.
6. Hydroseed or apply (non-toxic) soil stabilizers to inactive construction areas (previously graded areas inactive for ten days or more).
7. Enclose, cover, water twice daily or apply non-toxic soil binders to exposed stockpiles (dirt, sand, etc.) sufficient to prevent visible airborne dust.
8. Limit traffic speeds on unpaved roads to 15 mph.
9. Install sandbags or other erosion control measures to prevent silt runoff to public roadways.
10. Replant vegetation in disturbed areas as quickly as possible.

### Biological Resources

All non-orchard trees that are to be removed shall be replaced at the following ratios:

- Each tree less than 12" in diameter to be removed = one 15 gallon tree
- Each tree 12" to 18" diameter to be removed = two 24" box trees
- Trees greater than 18" diameter shall not be removed unless a Tree Removal Permit has been approved for the removal of such trees. Each tree greater than 18" diameter to be removed = four 24" box trees

The species and exact number of trees to be planted on the site will be determined in consultation with the City Arborist and the Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement. In the event the developed portion of the project site does not have sufficient area to accommodate the required tree mitigation, one or more of the following measures will be implemented at the permit stage:

- An alternative site(s) will be identified for additional tree planting. Alternative sites may include local parks or schools or installation of trees on adjacent properties for screening purposes to the satisfaction of the Director of the Department of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement.
- A donation of \$300 per mitigation tree to San Jose Beautiful or Our City Forest for in-lieu off-site tree planting in the community. These funds will be used for tree planting and maintenance of planted trees for approximately three years. A donation receipt for off-site tree planting will be provided to the Director of Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement prior to issuance of a grading permit.

### Archaeology

There shall be monitoring of site excavation activities to the extent determined by a qualified professional archaeologist to be necessary to insure accurate evaluation of potential impacts to prehistoric resources.

- 1) If no resources are discovered, the archaeologist shall submit a report to the City's Environmental Principal Planner verifying that the required monitoring occurred and that no further mitigation is necessary.
- 2) If evidence of any archaeological, cultural, and/or historical deposits are found, hand excavation and/or mechanical excavation will proceed to evaluate the deposits for determination of significance as defined by CEQA guidelines. The archaeologist shall submit reports, to the satisfaction of the City's Environmental Principal Planner, describing the testing program and subsequent results. These reports shall identify any program mitigation that the Developer shall complete in order to mitigate archaeological impacts (including resource recovery and/or avoidance testing and analysis, removal, reburial, and curation of archaeological resources.)
- 3) In the event that human remains and/or cultural materials are found, all project-related construction shall cease within a 50-foot radius in order to proceed with the testing and mitigation measures required. Pursuant to Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code and Section 5097.94 of the Public Resources Code of the State of California:

- a) In the event of the discovery of human remains during construction, there shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent remains. The Santa Clara County Coroner shall be notified and shall make a determination as to whether the remains are Native American. If the Coroner determines that the remains are not subject to his authority, he shall notify the Native American Heritage Commission who shall attempt to identify descendants of the deceased Native American. If no satisfactory agreement can be reached as to the disposition of the remains pursuant to this State law, then the land owner shall re-inter the human remains and items associated with Native American burials on the property in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance.
- b) A final report shall be submitted to the City's Environmental Principal Planner prior to release of a Certificate of Occupancy. This report shall contain a description of the mitigation programs and its results including a description of the monitoring and testing program, a list of the resources found, a summary of the resources analysis methodology and conclusions, and a description of the disposition/curation of the resources. The report shall verify completion of the mitigation program to the satisfaction of the City's Environmental Principal Planner.

#### Noise

All units should be provided with an adequate forced-air mechanical ventilation system satisfactory to the City of San Jose Building Department to allow occupants the option of controlling noise while maintaining a habitable interior environment.

Construction activities shall be limited to the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for any on-site or off-site work within 500 feet of any residential unit.

The contractor shall use "new technology" power construction equipment with state-of-the-art noise shielding and muffling devices. All internal combustion engines used on the project site shall be equipped with adequate mufflers and shall be in good mechanical condition to minimize noise created by faulty or poor maintained engines or other components.

Weekend construction hours, including staging of vehicles, equipment and construction materials, shall be limited to Saturdays between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Permitted work activities shall be conducted exclusively within the interior of enclosed building structures provided that such activities are inaudible to existing adjacent residential uses. Exterior generators, water pumps, compressors and idling trucks are not permitted. The developer shall be responsible for educating all contractors and subcontractors of said construction restrictions. Rules and regulation pertaining to all construction activities and limitations identified in this permit, along with the name and telephone number of a developer appointed disturbance coordinator, shall be posted in a prominent location at the entrance to the job site. The Director of Planning, at his discretion, may rescind provisions to allow extended hours of construction activities on weekends upon written notice to the developer.

## **PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD**

Before 5:00 p.m. on **October 13, 2004**, any person may:

- (1) Review the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) as an informational document only; or
- (2) Submit written comments regarding the information, analysis, and mitigation measures in the Draft MND. Before the MND is adopted, Planning staff will prepare written responses to any comments, and revise the Draft MND, if necessary, to reflect any concerns raised during the public review period. All written comments will be included as part of the Final MND; or
- (3) File a formal written protest of the determination that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment. This formal protest must be filed in the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement, 801 North First Street, San Jose, Room 400 and include a \$100 filing fee. The written protest should make a “fair argument” based on substantial evidence that the project will have one or more significant effects on the environment. If a valid written protest is filed with the Director of Planning, Building & Code Enforcement within the noticed public review period, the Director may (1) adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration and set a noticed public hearing on the protest before the Planning Commission, (2) require the project applicant to prepare an environmental impact report and refund the filing fee to the protestant, or (3) require the Draft MND to be revised and undergo additional noticed public review, and refund the filing fee to the protestant.

Stephen M. Haase, AICP  
Director, Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Planning Commission and the City Council of the City of San José will consider a change in **ZONING** at a public hearing in accordance with Title 20 of the San José Municipal Code on:

**Planning Commission Hearing**

**Wednesday, October 13, 2004**

**6:00 p.m.**

**City Council Chambers, Room 205**

**City Hall**

**801 North First Street**

**San Jose, CA 95110**

**City Council Hearing**

**Tuesday, November 9, 2004**

**7:00 p.m.**

**City Council Chambers, Room 205**

**City Hall**

**801 North First Street**

**San Jose, CA 95110**

The project being considered is:

**PDC04-033. Planned Development Rezoning from R-1-8 Residence Zoning District to A(PD) Planned Development Zoning District to allow up to five single-family detached residences on a 0.48 gross acre site, located at the northwesterly terminus of South 34th Street (321 S 34TH ST) (Innovative Housing Solutions LLC, Owner/Developer). Council District 5. SNI: Gateway East. CEQA: Mitigated Negative Declaration.**

Reports, drawings, and documents for this project are on file and available for review, and a permit with recommendations will be available for your review during the week of the public hearing from **9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, Monday, Wednesday, Fridays, and from **10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Tuesday and Thursdays at:

Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

801 North First Street, Room 400

San José, CA 95110

(408) 277-4576

[www.ci-san-jose.ca.us/planning/sjplan/](http://www.ci-san-jose.ca.us/planning/sjplan/)

You are welcome to attend and to speak on this issue. To arrange an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act to participate in this meeting, please call (408) 277-4576 (Voice) at least 48 hours before the meeting.

*\* If you choose to challenge this land use decision in court, you may be limited to only those issues you, or someone else, raised and discussed at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City at or prior to the public hearing.*

Comments and questions are welcome and should be referred to the **Project Manager, Deanna Chow**, at the e-mail address: [deanna.chow@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:deanna.chow@sanjoseca.gov) in the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement. Please refer to the above file number for further information on this project.



Joseph Horwedel,  
Deputy Director, Plan Implementation Division

Dated: **September 23, 2004**

Lee Price, CMC  
City Clerk

Noticing Radius: **500 ft**

SECTION 20.120.400 OF THE SAN JOSE MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHES A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEDURE FOR REZONINGS AND PREZONINGS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

If you are the owner of property to be rezoned, or if you own property adjacent to or across the street from a proposed rezoning or prezonning, you may file an Official Protest. Such protest must be made on a form provided by the Director of Planning and must be filed in the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement **by 5:00 p.m.** on the fifth day before the City Council opens its public hearing on the proposal (that is, the Thursday before a Tuesday hearing). A separate protest petition shall be filed for each separate protesting site. Contact the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement if you have any questions.